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REF: A) STATE 262898; B) ROME 15455

1. CHARGE' CALLED NOVEMBER 7 ON MFA ENERGY COORDINATOR
MIGLIUOLO TO DISCUSS POINTS RAISED REF (A):

(A) FINANCIAL EXPERTS' VISIT: MIGLIUOLO PROPOSED THAT
ITALIAN DELEGATION COMPOSED OF ENEL REPS PROF. VAL TORTA AND
CENTRAL DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION TARDINI, BANK OF ITALY
NEW YORK OFFICE CHIEF LOVATO, CHIEF US-BASED IMI REP MEET
WITH DEPARTMENT AND EXIM BANK OFFICIALS AS PLANNED ON FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 14. ITALY-BASED OFFICIALS WOULD ARRIVE NOVEMBER 13.

(B) NEXT EWG MEETING: MIGLIUOLO PROMISED TO MAKE FIRM PRO-
POSAL ON DATE AND FORMAT FOR NEXT EWG MEETING FOLLOWING
NOVEMBER 12 INTERMINISTERIAL MEETING ON EWG MATTERS. HE
STATED THAT HE WOULD LOBBY IN FAVOR OF MEETING NOVEMBER 18
IN PARIS SUGGESTED PARA 2 REFTTEL, BUT FORESAW POTENTIAL
DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN SECURING CONSENT OF OTHER MINISTRIES.

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IN THIS CONNECTION, MIGLIUOLO NOTED UNDERCURRENT OF DIS-

SATISFACTION WITH APPARENT SLOW PACE OF EWG MATTERS AMONG OTHER MINISTRIES AND MFA'S DESIRE TO MAINTAIN SUPPORT FOR EWG PROCESS. IF NOVEMBER 18 MEETING NOT POSSIBLE, MIGLIUOLO SUGGESTED THAT WASHINGTON CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF FULL EWG MEETING IN ROME SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 22. SINCE IEA/GB MEETING WILL END ON NOVEMBER 21, STOP-OVER IN ROME BEFORE RETURNING TO US MIGHT BE FEASIBLE. (COMMENT: MIGLIUOLO'S POINT ON NEED TO MAINTAIN SUPPORT OF OTHER MINISTRIES IS WELL TAKEN. IN THE PAST, MFA HAS HAD CONSIDERABLE FREEDOM IN ENERGY MATTERS, PARTICULARLY THE ABILITY TO MAKE COMMITMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES SUCH AS IEA. HOWEVER, DOMESTICALLY-ORIENTED MINISTRIES HAVE BEGUN TO SHOW GREATER INTEREST IN INTERNATIONAL MATTERS. SINCE THESE DOMESTIC MINISTRIES, PARTICULARLY THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TEND TO BE LESS FORTHCOMING AND SYMPATHETIC TO US INITIATIVES THAN MFA, IT IS IN OUR INTEREST TO SUPPORT MFA EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN A LEADING POSITION IN FORMULATION OF GOI ENERGY POLICY. REF (A) UNCLEAR ON COMPOSITION ITALIAN REPRESENTATION TO PROPOSED NOVEMBER 18 MEETING; IS ONLY MIGLIUOLO INVITED OR DOES INVITATION EXTEND TO OTHER POTENTIALLY-INTERESTED GOI REPS?)

(C) HIGH-LEVEL FINANCIAL DELEGATION: DUE TO INABILITY OF TREASURY DIRECTOR GENERAL PALUMBO TO ATTEND MEETING IN LATE NOVEMBER, MIGLIUOLO SUGGESTED THAT HIGH-LEVEL FINANCIAL DELEGATION VISIT BE POSTPONED TO ABOUT DECEMBER 3-4.

2. RE GOI COMMENTS TO USG INITIATIVES REQUESTED PARA 3
REF A, MIGLIUOLO INDICATED THAT FORMAL RESPONSES WERE BEING PREPARED.

3. MIGLIUOLO NOTED HE DID NOT INTEND GO OVER SEPTEMBER 23, 1975 "PROGRESS REPORT ON ITALIAN-US ENERGY WORKING GROUP ACTIVITIES" WITH FINE TOOTH COMB SINCE IT BASICALLY ACCURATE. HOWEVER, HE ASKED THAT USG NOTE THAT GOI DESIRES TO BE FULLY INFORMED OF PROGRESS IN US POLICY FORMATION IN TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AREA NOT ONLY TO PLAN ACCORDINGLY BUT ALSO TO PROVIDE "FRIENDLY COUNTRIES" OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEIR NEEDS AND DESIRES FOR TRANSFER OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY REFLECTED IN ULTIMATELY-AGREED ON LEGISLATION. (SEE SPECIFICALLY, P.3, II,2 -INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT.) THIS, ACCORDING TO MIGLIUOLO, WAS MAJOR THRUST OF ITALIAN PRESENTATION, AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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